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Re:

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For:

Method and System for Supplying Amino Acids or Chemical Derivatives in Liquid Form to Ruminant Livestock

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Inventors: Piesker et al.

Our Ref:

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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;

2. Form PTO-1449 listing one (1) document (1 page);

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4. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

Respectfully submitted,

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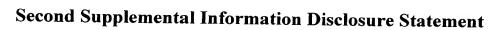
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Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 is a document that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The numbering on this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicant's First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 31, 2002, in connection with the above-captioned application. A copy of the document is also provided.

Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

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This statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made, or that information more material to the examination of the present patent application does not exist. The Examiner is specifically requested not to rely solely on the material submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. No statement or fee is required.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449, and indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the documents have been considered.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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